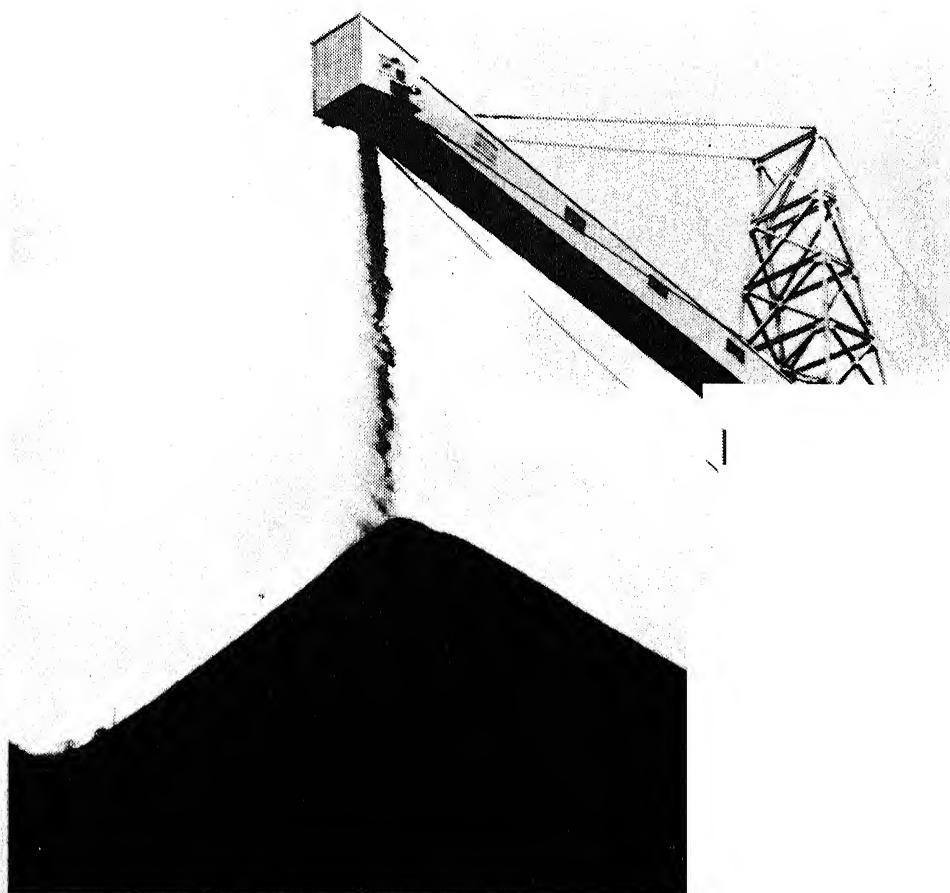




Energy Information Administration
Washington, DC

Weekly Coal Production

Production for Week Ended:
December 5, 1987



Highlights

U.S. coal production in the week ended December 5, 1987, as estimated by the Energy Information Administration, totaled 19.4 million short tons (bituminous coal and lignite, 19.3 million short tons; Pennsylvania anthracite, .04 million short tons). This was 21.0 percent higher than production in the previous week, and was 4.5 percent higher than production in the corresponding week of 1986.

Cumulative U.S. coal production from January 1 through December 5, 1987, was estimated at 852.3 million short tons, 2.0 percent above the 835.3 million short tons produced in the comparable period in 1986.

The methodology used to make weekly estimates of coal production was published in the Weekly Coal Production (DOE/EIA-0218(86/35)), released for publication on September 8, 1986.

Figure 1. Coal Production

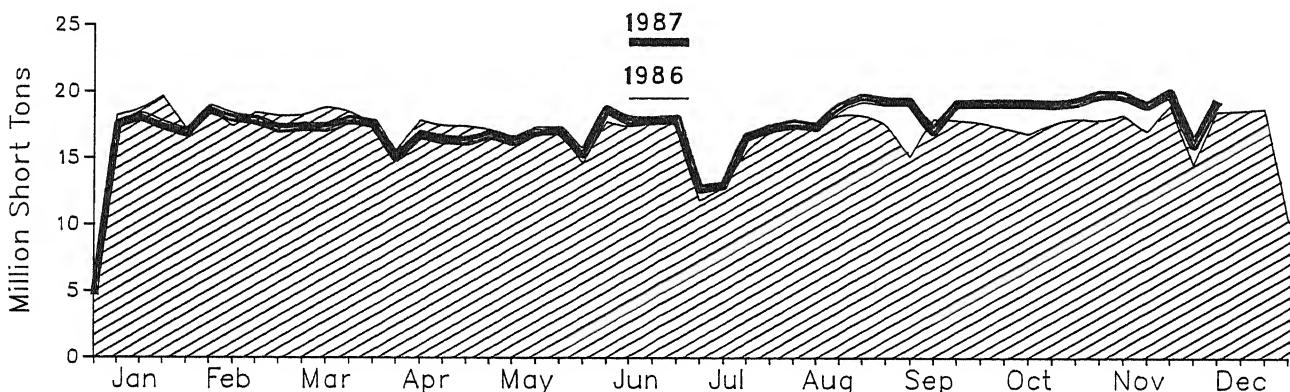


Table 1. Coal Production

Production and Carloadings	Week Ended			Year to Date		
	12/05/87	11/28/87	12/06/86	12/05/87	12/06/86	Percent Change
Production (Thousand Short Tons)						
Bituminous ¹ and Lignite	19,320	15,953	18,433	849,304	831,255	2.2
Pennsylvania Anthracite	41	43	95	3,029	4,009	-24.4
U.S. Total	19,361	15,996	18,528	852,333	835,264	2.0
Railroad Cars Loaded	123,512	101,461	117,185	5,409,602	5,345,164	

¹Includes subbituminous coal.

Note: 1987 data are preliminary. Total may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding.

Sources: Association of American Railroads, Transportation Division, Weekly Statement CS-54A; Energy Information Administration, Form EIA-6, "Coal Distribution Report" and State mining agency coal production reports.

Table 2. Coal Production by State
(Thousand Short Tons)

Region and State	Week Ended		
	12/05/87	11/28/87	12/06/86
Bituminous Coal¹ and Lignite			
East of the Mississippi	12,004	9,341	11,367
Alabama	582	485	497
Illinois	1,187	1,027	1,349
Indiana	713	578	610
Kentucky	3,512	2,475	3,273
Kentucky, Eastern	2,569	1,810	2,369
Kentucky, Western	943	664	904
Maryland	66	46	79
Ohio	700	567	704
Pennsylvania Bituminous	1,170	1,365	1,149
Tennessee	135	120	113
Virginia	936	610	787
West Virginia	3,003	2,068	2,806
West of the Mississippi	7,316	6,612	7,066
Alaska	35	29	34
Arizona	254	210	279
Arkansas	2	1	9
Colorado	296	270	253
Iowa	10	9	10
Kansas	12	10	27
Louisiana	65	26	60
Missouri	119	98	104
Montana	824	599	797
New Mexico	447	374	365
North Dakota	578	597	565
Oklahoma	55	49	44
Texas	1,030	852	1,006
Utah	436	377	326
Washington	102	84	92
Wyoming	3,052	3,027	3,097
Bituminous ¹ and Lignite Total	19,320	15,953	18,433
Pennsylvania Anthracite	41	43	95
U.S. Total	19,361	15,996	18,528

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